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Applicants: KANAI, et al.

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are attaching a form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits. Each of the documents listed are in the English language.

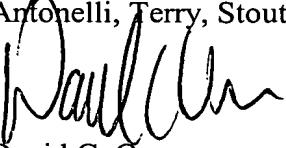
Each of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449 was submitted or cited in parent application Serial No. 09/181,676 which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC §120. Thus, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of these references do not need to be filed.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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